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1. REFTEL HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO ALL PERTINENT AGENCIES AND OFFICES, PER REQUEST PARA 9, REFTEL.

2. WITH REGARD PRIVILEGES US GRANTS GOI PERSONNEL IN WASHINGTON (REFTEL, PARA 10), THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH OF THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT OF 1961, PER EXCHANGE OF NOTES: QTE PENDING THE NEGOTIATION AND CONCLUSION OF A CONSULAR CONVENTION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND INDONESIA, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PROPOSES THAT, ON A BASIS OF
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RECIPROCITY, ALL AMERICAN AND INDONESIAN DIPLOMATIC AND

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CONSULAR OFFICERS OF CAREER AND MEMBERS OF THEIR FAMILIES LIVING WITH THEM, AS WELL AS EMPLOYEES OF THE SENDING STATE, SPECIFICALLY APPOINTED OR ASSIGNED BY THE SENDING STATE TO SERVE IN ITS RESPECTIVE DIPLOMATIC OR CONSULAR OFFICES, WHO ARE NATIONALS OF THE SENDING STATE AND NOT ENGAGED IN ANY OTHER OCCUPATION FOR GAIN IN THE COUNTRY OF THE RECEIVING STATE, SHALL BE EXTENDED FREE ENTRY PRIVILEGES UPON ARRIVAL TO TAKE UP THEIR DUTIES AND UPON RETURN FROM LEAVE SPENT ABROAD, AS WELL AS THE PRIVILEGE OF FREE IMPORTATION OF ARTICLES INTENDED FOR THEIR PERSONAL

USE AT ANY TIME DURING OFFICIAL RESIDENCE, PROVIDED THE IMPORTATION OF SUCH ARTICLES IS NOT PROHIBITED RESPECTIVELY BY THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA. UNQTE.

3. IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS AGREEMENT, THE US GRANTS TO ALL GOI EMPLOYEES WHO ARE NATIONALS OF INDONESIA, (EXCEPT IMMIGRANTS), WHETHER ON THE DIPLOMATIC LIST OR NOT, DUTY FREE ENTRY OF ALL PERSONAL USE ARTICLES, INCLUDING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS, AND TWO AUTOMOBILES EVERY THREE YEARS. IN ADDITION, ALL DIPLOMATS, MEMBERS OF THEIR FAMILIES, AND EMPLOYEES ARE EXEMPT FROM DC SALES TAX, FEDERAL GASOLINE TAX, AND DIRECT EXCISE TAXES SUCH AS TELEPHONE TAXES. DIPLOMATIC OFFICERS AND THEIR SPOUSES ARE ALSO EXEMPT FROM STATE SALES TAXES IN MARYLAND. DIPLOMATIC OFFICERS WHO RESIDE IN VIRGINIA ARE EXEMPT FROM VIRGINIA STATE TAXES. OTHER GOI EMPLOYEES DO NOT ENJOY THIS EXEMPTION IN EITHER STATE.

4. PROLONGED RESTRICTION CAN HAVE AN ADVERSE EFFECT ON BOTH ASSIGNMENTS AND PROGRAM ACTIVITIES, AND YOU MAY CONVEY OUR STRONG CONCERN TO GOI.

5. REQUEST EMBASSY CONTINUE REPORT DEVELOPMENTS. KISSINGER

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